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Baker-Polito Administration Awards Over \$13.2 Million to Support Food Security in Massachusetts

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BOSTON — Today, the Baker-Polito Administration announced over \$13.2 million in grants to address urgent food insecurity for residents across the Commonwealth as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. This funding is being awarded as part of the final rounds of the \$36 million Food Security Infrastructure Grant Program, created following recommendations from the Administration's COVID-19 Command Center's Food Security

Task Force, which promotes ongoing efforts to ensure that individuals and families throughout the Commonwealth have access to healthy, local food. The grants were announced by Energy and Environmental Affairs Secretary Kathleen Theoharides during a visit to Riverland Farm in Sunderland.

“Our Administration is grateful to the food banks, nonprofits, schools and food producers who have stepped up this past year to make sure healthy food gets into the hands of Massachusetts residents, children and communities struggling with food insecurity,” **said Governor Charlie Baker.** “Through this program, we are proud to have awarded over \$35 million to help these organizations and businesses address the pandemic and reduce hunger, and build a resilient food system that is better able to serve residents of the Commonwealth now and in the future.”

“As food insecurity has increased during the pandemic, our Administration created this grant program to invest in our local food system and find ways to better deliver quality food to residents and families across the Commonwealth,” **said Lieutenant Governor Karyn Polito.** “These grants will help create a strong local food chain that supports local businesses while connecting healthy, local food to Massachusetts’ underserved communities.”

The goal of the Food Security Infrastructure Grant Program is to ensure that individuals and families throughout the Commonwealth have equitable access to food, especially local food. The program also seeks to ensure that farmers, fishermen and other local food producers are better connected to a strong, resilient food system to help mitigate future food supply and distribution disruption.

The final rounds of the grant program include 175 awards for a total of \$13.2 million to fund critical investments in technology, equipment, capacity, and other assistance to help local food producers, especially in the distribution of food insecure communities. When evaluating the applications, considerations included equity, economic impact and need, sustainability and scalability of efforts, and ability to support producer readiness to accept SNAP and HIP benefits. The Administration has now awarded over \$35 million to more than 360 recipients.

“By announcing these grants at a local Commonwealth farm today, I want to highlight the critical work Massachusetts farmers, fishers and food producers are doing to connect their nutritious products with the residents who need it most, even as these businesses have faced challenges during the pandemic,” **said Energy and Environmental Affairs Secretary Kathleen Theoharides.** “The Baker-Polito Administration is proud of the important efforts this program has funded to reduce hunger and build a better, more resilient, and more local food system here in Massachusetts.”

“The Healthy Incentives Program is a critical tool in our work to address food insecurity, improve food access, and support a resilient food system. HIP not only increases access to local, culturally-relevant food for our most vulnerable residents, but also provides essential economic support to our farms and communities,” **said Department of Transitional Assistance Commissioner Amy Kershaw.** “SNAP and HIP continue to be vital supports to many families as we navigate COVID-19 and its economic fallout.

Eligible grantees include entities that are part of the Massachusetts local food system including production, processing and distribution, the emergency food distribution network, Buy Local, community and food organizations, school meal programming, urban farms and community gardens, non-profits, and

organizations that provide business planning, technical assistance and information technology services. The Request for Responses for project proposals closed on September 15, 2020.

This grant program implements the recommendations of the Food Security Task Force, which was convened by the Massachusetts COVID-19 Command Center in response to increased demands for food assistance. The task force is composed of a broad group of public and private members charged with ensuring food insecurity and food supply needs are addressed during the COVID-19 public health emergency.

The Food Security Infrastructure Grant Program was announced in May 2020 as part of a \$56 million investment by the Baker-Polito Administration to combat urgent food insecurity for some Massachusetts families and individuals as a result of COVID-19. The Administration also announced a \$5 million increase for the [Healthy Incentives Program \(/healthy-incentives-program-hip\)](#) to meet increased demand for local produce and to increase access points that process SNAP and HIP benefits, \$12 million for the provision of 25,000 family food boxes per week through a regional food supply system, and \$3 million in funding as an immediate relief valve to food banks.

In August, the Baker-Polito Administration [launched \(/news/baker-polito-administration-launches-online-platform-to-enhance-food-system-connections\)](#) the [MassGrown Exchange \(/service-details/massgrown-exchange\)](#), an online platform designed to facilitate business-to-business connections within the local food system for products and services. Developed by the Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources (MDAR), in collaboration with the Division of Marine Fisheries (DMF), this platform was established to both address COVID-19 disruptions to the local food supply and to serve as a helpful tool and resource for Massachusetts growers and producers in accessing markets beyond the duration of the COVID-19 emergency.

“As a Commonwealth, we must take every possible step to ensure that no one goes hungry,” said Massachusetts Senate President Karen E. Spilka (D-Ashland). “Working with food providers to improve distribution and storage will increase the supply of fresh, locally sourced food to meet the demand from those who need it most. Furthermore, support for educational programs and community gardens will allow more people and communities to join in this effort in an empowering, self-reliant and sustainable way.”

“Food insecurity has intensified over the course of this pandemic,” said House Speaker Ronald Mariano (D-Quincy). “This state funding will help local organizations, like Quincy Asian Resources and Quincy Community Action Programs in my district, provide healthy food options to those in need of additional support.”

“Individuals and families across the state are being supported by the Food Security Infrastructure Grant Program and these grants provide direct support to help those at risk of hunger and those who are working to harvest, grow, and distribute food,” said Senate Minority Leader Bruce Tarr (R-Gloucester). “Our fishing, farming, and food producers are fueled by this infusion of funds and that, in turn, helps us all stay healthier.”

“Hunger remains a serious problem in Massachusetts, as the number of people struggling to put food on the table for their families has increased dramatically during the pandemic,” said House Minority Leader Bradley H. Jones, Jr. (R-North Reading). “Fortunately, the Baker-Polito Administration has been working with farms, fisheries, food pantries and other non-profits to ensure the Commonwealth maintains a robust production and distribution chain to address food insecurity issues. The funding being awarded today will help more than 100 organizations across the state expand access to healthy, locally-sourced food for those who need it most.”

“Food security infrastructure grants have brought critically-needed funds to Hampshire, Franklin, Worcester farms, food business, and non-profits that are working to fight hunger,” **said State Senator Joanne M. Comerford (D-Northampton)**. “These grants have strengthened our food system, enabling these organizations to expand their work at a time when food insecurity rates were spiking. I remain honored to have been appointed to the Food Security Task Force which developed this important program and I’m tremendously grateful to everyone at EEA, MDAR, in the Administration and the legislature who collaborated to fund and manage this important effort.”

“I am proud of the legislature’s role in expanding access to local, healthy, fresh food throughout the Commonwealth,” **said State Representative Natalie Blais (D-Sunderland)**. “The tremendous response to the FSIG program shows the need for continued investment. I look forward to working with the Baker-Polito Administration to extend this program to further support our local farms while strengthening our local food systems.”

The awardees for the final rounds of the Food Security Infrastructure Grant Program include:

Awardee	Location	Type	Project Summary	Funding
All Farmers	West Springfield	Farm	Program funding will enable the organization to purchase cold storage to lengthen the life cycle of produce grown by refugee and immigrant farmers.	\$7,000
Bobs Turkey Farm	Lancaster	Farm	To meet the changing needs of the ongoing pandemic, program funding will go towards the purchasing of important infrastructure at the farm, including the cold storage of turkeys. Furthermore, the farm dedicates approximately 10% of sales each week to SNAP recipients and provides several donations to local food pantries and organizations in the area.	\$45,000
Catlin Farmstead LLC	Winchendon	Farm	Seeking to expand operations, the dairy farm will utilize program funds to purchase a micro dairy system, which will enable it to process milk on-site rather than sending to a local distributor. Processing milk on-site will avoid uncertainties in using third-party	\$126,694

distributors and minimize disruptions to the local food distribution system.

Clover Hill Farm, LLP	Hardwick	Farm	Program funding will enable the farm to make important investments to expand its food storage, which will increase product availability for area residents. Investments include structure improvements and freezer units.	\$50,900
Community Farms Outreach, d/b/a Waltham Fields Community Farm	Waltham	Farm	Program funds will enable the organization to purchase a refrigerated cargo van, which will allow the ability to store packed produce boxes overnight, deliver farm fresh vegetables to seasonal weekly low-income Mobile Outreach Market and Produce Rx distribution sites without spoilage, and expand food distribution programs.	\$58,000
Eastie Farm	Boston	Farm	To increase productivity and efficiency, and better reach food insecure populations, program funding will enable the farm, which partners with local soup kitchens and pantries, to purchase important infrastructure. The project will extend seasonal growing, expand growing space, and purchase a vehicle for distribution.	\$292,000
Flourish Farm	Brimfield	Farm	To increase available farm-to-table products to the local community, program funding will assist the farm in acquiring needed infrastructure to existing farm operations. Upgrades to the infrastructure will expand the farm product line to include the	\$35,449

safe, on-site sale of fresh produce and herbs directly to consumers. Equipment includes refrigeration and freezer units; sink, stainless steel worktable, and other kitchen equipment; and a Bluetooth card reader and printer.

Indian Line Farm	Great Barrington	Farm	In an effort to provide additional produce to the local community, program funding will increase the farm's winter production, storage, and worker and food safety through the purchase of a new washing and packing facility.	\$214,213
Littleton Community Farm	Littleton	Farm	To assist the organization as it expands food donations and distribution to meet increased demand at food pantries and area households, funding will enable the purchasing of new harvest crates, a washing station, and a commercial grade farming canopy, which will improve food safety and harvest efficiency.	\$5,250
Littleton Community Farm	Littleton	Farm	With the need to further support individuals and families in need of produce, funding will assist the farm increase its food donations by purchasing new farm equipment, such as a rollbar for the tractor and a flat-bed layer.	\$6,400
Marini Farm	Ipswich	Farm	Program funding will assist the farm in making important structural upgrades to open its seasonal farm stand year-round. Furthermore, the project will also include additions to increase checkout and sales area capacity, to enhance traffic flow efficiency through the stand, and to meet new food and safety guidelines.	\$246,500

North Plain Farm	Great Barrington	Farm	In an effort to meet increased demand, project funds will assist the farm in making infrastructure improvements to aid production with the purchase of new chicken houses. Importantly, the farm accepts SNAP benefits, offering farm-to-table products for low-income individuals and families to purchase.	\$55,400
Pineo Family Farm	Sterling	Farm	Program funding will enable improvements to the farm's infrastructure, such as the construction of a waterline and the purchase of a new refrigerator and waterwheel planter, which will enhance the production and availability of a wider supply of fresh produce to the local community. Importantly, these improvements will increase the distribution of produce through partnerships with organizations, like Growing Places and the Monty Tech School System.	\$6,800
SpringDell Farm	Littleton	Farm	In an effort to increase food storage, which will simultaneously decrease food waste and provide additional produce to area residents, program funding will enable the farm to purchase refrigerator and freezer units.	\$32,112
Stasinos Farms	Haverhill	Farm	The project seeks to expand the distribution of food to the elderly in at risk communities in Merrimack Valley through the purchase of a refrigerated truck. The farm also accepts SNAP benefits.	\$50,000
Still Life Farm	Hardwick	Farm	In an effort to increase produce	\$91,000

storage, program funds will enable the farm to build an insulated winter vegetable storage facility, which includes a washing and packing area. Furthermore, the farm accepts SNAP and HIP payments for produce and has been working with a local food pantry to supply produce to local families in need.

Yellow Stonehouse Farm	Westfield	Farm	Funding will enable the farm to expand the availability of its products to low income individuals and families by investing in equipment that enables SNAP/EBT payments to be directly made.	\$2,300
Blue Stream Aquaculture LLC	Ware	Fishery	In an effort to increase the amount of fresh, local fish available in the market, funding will assist Fishery Blue Stream Aquaculture with the purchasing of an ice machine, fish processing equipment, and a refrigerated van to transport fish products.	\$184,300
F/V Mary Elizabeth and F/V Paula Lyn	Scituate	Fishery	Seeking to expand capacity and distribution of freshly caught seafood, funding will enable the purchase of a refrigerated box truck to facilitate the storage and transportation of product to the local community and other fish processors located throughout the state. Importantly, these vessels will be involved in a partnership with Mullaney's Fish Market, which will be providing fish to the Scituate Food Pantry.	\$118,343
Island Creek Oysters	Duxbury	Fishery	To increase the life cycle of products, the company will utilize program funds to create a new	\$416,716

fish canning line to allow for shelf-stable food production.

John Nagle Co.	Boston	Fishery	In an effort to increase food within the Massachusetts supply system, funding will assist the company to commence its three-step project, which includes the purchase and installation of fish processing equipment for locally caught groundfish; the purchase and installation of skinning and portioning equipment to make fish fillets consumer ready; and the installation of vacuum packing equipment and a blast freezer to allow rapid freeze and storage of processed fish. Furthermore, through the expansion, this project will aid in local job creation within economically disadvantaged communities.	\$500,000
M&P Fishing Corporation/F/V Fishermen	New Bedford	Fishery	Funding will enable the corporation to modernize the vessel with new technology that will both increase efficiency while fishing and save on fuel costs through the purchasing of semi-pelagic trawl doors, sensors, and related equipment.	\$85,475
Plymouth Rock Oyster Growers	Plymouth	Fishery	To reduce human interaction during the ongoing pandemic, program funding will enable the organization to create an online marketplace to sell products directly to the consumer. Additionally, online tools, such as tutorials, will be featured on the site to inform customers of the product in an effort to make it more approachable.	\$7,000
Rocky Neck	Gloucester	Fishery	Funds will support the purchasing	\$124,853

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of equipment for their
commercial kitchen, such as a
freezer, ice maker, and ice crusher
to better serve customers,
especially those in Gateway Cities.

Allston Brighton Food Pantry	Brighton	Food Bank/Pantry	In an effort to reduce waste and expand food storage, the food pantry will utilize program funding to purchase and install new refrigeration and freezer units. Importantly, this project will assist the organization's efforts to serve area residents in need, which has increased due to the ongoing pandemic.	\$7,400
Ashland Food Pantry	Ashland	Food Bank/Pantry	To reach individuals and families in need, the food pantry will utilize program funding to purchase a refrigerated vehicle, which will increase the organization's food distribution service of locally sourced food.	\$75,000
Bread of Life Under One Roof	Malden	Food Bank/Pantry	In an effort to bring the organization's many programs under one roof, program funding will assist in the costs of constructing a new facility. Importantly, the organization provides approximately 1 million meals a year to hungry, homeless, and isolated individuals through its programs for residents of Malden, Everett, Medford, Saugus, Stoneham, Melrose, Reading, North Reading, Winchester, Wakefield, Revere, Chelsea, and Winthrop.	\$250,000
Craig's Doors, A Home Association, Inc.	Amherst	Food Bank/Pantry	To aid the emergency shelter's mission to assist those in need, program funding will be utilized	\$9,000

for the purchase of a commercial grade refrigerator and freezer. The organization is a low barrier/hard reduction adult shelter in Hampshire County and serves those with substance use issues, mental health issues, physical challenges, and other health conditions.

First Congregational Church in Revere Food Pantry (FCC)	Revere	Food Bank/Pantry	To support the increased demand of food that the food pantry is experiencing due to the ongoing pandemic, program funds will assist in the purchase of important infrastructure equipment, such as refrigeration and freezer units and technology. Importantly, the food pantry, which is an emergency food provider, serves residents in the communities of Revere, Chelsea, Everett, and East Boston.	\$51,800
Franklin County Community Meals Program	Greenfield	Food Bank/Pantry	Program funding will aid the Franklin County Community Meals Program in meeting its mission of providing meals to those in need through the purchasing of a refrigerated van, which will serve as a reliable source of infrastructure, allow for a more efficient food distribution process, and provide more control and safety in the food distribution system in a food insecure community.	\$77,554
Greater Fall River Community Food Pantry, Inc.	Fall River	Food Bank/Pantry	To increase the food pantry's capacity to serve a greater number of individuals and families in need, program funding is dedicated to a HVAC system to better regulate temperatures within food storage areas.	\$67,075

Greater Fall River Community Food Pantry, Inc.	Fall River	Food Bank/Pantry	In an effort to streamline mobile and remote registration, program funds will aid the food pantry in the purchasing of new technology, such as tablets.	\$9,541
IINE Boston Food Pantry-IINE Enhanced Pantry Project	Boston	Food Bank/Pantry	To increase production and streamline the distribution of food to individuals and families in need, program funding will upgrade the food pantry's equipment.	\$1,963
The Food Bank of Western Massachusetts, Inc.	Hatfield	Food Bank/Pantry	To increase locally grown produce for distribution, the Food Bank of Western MA will utilize program funds to make needed capital improvements to its farm to increase vegetable production for distribution to households in need.	\$294,443
Breaktime Cafe, Inc.	Boston	Other For-Profit	Program funding will assist the organization by increasing capacity with food storage and preparation through the purchase of refrigerator and freezer units to be able to better to donate and serve food to insecure communities.	\$78,249
Cushman Market and Cafe	Amherst	Other For-Profit	Funding will enable the organization to expand the availability of its products to low income individuals and families by investing in equipment that enables SNAP/EBT payments to be directly made. Additionally, funding will purchase a new freezer unit, which will expand the café's array of products available for customers to purchase.	\$5,250
Farmer at the	Charlton	Other For-Profit	To better reach individuals and	\$26,630

Door			families seeking fresh food produce, funding will enable the organization to expand its capacity through the purchase of a walk-in cooler and freezer unit.	
The Salvation Army	Canton	Other For-Profit	To assist those in need, program funding will enable the organization to increase its food distribution network with kitchen capacity upgrades, such as refrigeration and freezer units, coolers, storage racks, and technology.	\$276,063
Arlington EATS, Inc	Arlington	Other Non-Profit	To reach low-income residents in need, program funding will go towards the purchase of a refrigerated van to increase the organization's food distribution and delivery program.	\$49,230
Beverly Bootstraps Community Services, Inc.	Beverly	Other Non-Profit	In an effort to deliver food in a more efficient and timely manner, program funds will assist the non-profit in the installation of a hydraulic lift system.	\$9,073
Boys & Girls Clubs of Boston	Boston	Other Non-Profit	In an effort to assist the non-profit organization's meal preparations program, funds will enable the reconfiguration and updating of the onsite commercial kitchen. Funding will also assist with the purchase of new appliances and equipment. Importantly, the project will enable the ability to provide meals from scratch, including more culturally- sensitive foods for members.	\$138,499
Open Table, Inc	Maynard	Other Non-Profit	In an effort to assist the non-profit's Save Surplus (SOS) program, which takes surplus and	\$108,492

bulk food from donated and rescued food inventory to create healthy, well-balanced meals in individual packages, funds will aid in the purchasing of transportation and kitchen equipment. Furthermore, the organization is focusing its efforts in the Towns of Maynard, Hudson, and Waltham, working with the Boys and Girls Club in each community, as well as local public health offices.

Quincy Community Action Programs, Inc.	Quincy	Other Non-Profit	The organization will utilize funds to increase its food distribution in the Norfolk region by increasing cold food storage at the Southwest Community Food Center (SWCFC). The project will serve a greater number of people by enabling additional capacity to receive more rescued food. Furthermore, funds will go towards the purchase of a refrigerated cargo van that will allow for the expansion of its food delivery service, enhance the food rescue program, and provide additional Pop-Up Food Pantries in the region.	\$68,871
Rainbow Child Development Center	Worcester	Other Non-Profit	To provide meals for students within the organization, program funding will expand food production through the purchase of kitchen infrastructure.	\$1,787
Wakefield Food Pantry	Wakefield	Other Non-Profit	To improve food safety, program funding will aid the food pantry in the purchasing of new equipment, such as air purification and sanitation equipment.	\$2,963

Walpole Community Food Pantry	Walpole	Other Non-Profit	To better reach food insecure residents within the Town of Walpole and neighboring communities, program funding will assist in the purchasing of equipment to able to procure, store, package, and distribute food.	\$90,707
Codman Academy Charter Public School	Boston	School	Program funding will enable the school to increase its use of additional produce and locally sourced foods with the purchase of food storage equipment, such as a refrigerator, cabinets, and utility carts.	\$12,610
Northbridge Public Schools	Northbridge	School	Program funding will assist the Northbridge Public Schools with the distribution of meals to students with the purchasing of a mobile heated cabinet, carts, and a refrigeration unit.	\$30,318
Shore Educational Collaborative	Chelsea	School	To reach students and their families who are remotely learning, program funds will assist the school by purchasing a refrigerated van to improve meal distribution services. Additionally, the van will assist in the distribution of meals during school vacations, including the summer months, and will enable delivery services of food to families through the partnership of local food banks and other community organizations.	\$45,000
Wareham Public Schools	Wareham	School	Program funding will assist the Wareham Public Schools System with the distribution of meals to students with the purchasing of coolers for safe meal	\$9,350

transportation and a refrigerated milk cooler for safe milk storage.

Westfield Public Schools	Westfield	School	To further reach students and their families impacted by the ongoing pandemic, the public school system will utilize program funds to purchase equipment to strengthen its food distribution system, sustain program operations during food supply shortages/disruptions, and increase the reach to food insecure households. New equipment includes refrigerator and freezer units, coolers, and expanded/updated cooking areas.	\$ 232,417.08
Ashburnham Community Church Food Pantry	Ashburnham	Food Bank/Pantry	To increase its donation opportunities from local farmers, the food pantry will utilize program funding to purchase a refrigerator and freezer. The units will allow the organization to purchase and store more fresh and frozen foods to directly benefit local families in need. Furthermore, the ability to store perishable food items in both cold storage and a freezer expands healthier food options in addition to the non-perishable food staples available each week/month, ensuring better balanced meals for community members.	\$2,000
Ashland Farm	New Braintree	Farm	Program funding will assist the farm increase its food storage capacity through the purchasing of new refrigeration equipment.	\$7,014
Attleboro Area Council of Churches (DBA:	Attleboro	Other Non-Profit	To increase its food distribution and emergency meals program, the organization will utilize	\$21,691

Attleboro Area Interfaith Collaborative)			program funding to purchase a new freezer for additional food storage capacity.	
Attleboro YMCA	Attleboro	Other Non-Profit	The organization will utilize program funding to purchase a delivery truck to support the organization's food distribution efforts.	\$93,420
Bemis Farms Nursery	Spencer	Farm	In an effort to increase harvest yields, which will directly benefit the local market and ultimately consumers, the farm will utilize program funding to purchase a delivery van to deliver affordable vegetables directly to underserved populations.	\$41,000
Blossoming Acres	Southwick	Farm	Program funding will assist the farm in the creation of cold storage space for both crops and other products to increase its longevity and ensure additional food reaches the market for the community and region.	\$50,000
Blue Harvest Fisheries	New Bedford	Fishery	To preserve and deliver additional fish products to the state's residents, the organization will expand its cold storage infrastructure to store and process groundfish. Infrastructure includes two slurry ice expansion machines, fish cooler, updated defrost controllers, water chilling system, insulated fish tubs, fish tub washing system, and a mobile restroom.	\$500,000
Boston Missionary Baptist Community Center Inc.	Boston	Other Non-Profit	Seeking to increase the number of people served, the amount and diversity of food distribution, and geographic reach, the organization will use program	\$112,593

funding to acquire a truck with freezer and refrigerator capacity.

Boston Public Market Association	Boston	Distributor/Supplier	Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the Association will utilize program funding to adapt its facility to adhere to new safety and public health guidelines through the purchase of handwashing stations and safety equipment for when social distancing is not possible.	\$9,850
Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester	Dorchester	Other Non-Profit	In an effort to increase food production, program funding will assist the organization with the purchasing of new kitchen equipment.	\$22,899
Breezy Hill Farm	Ashburnham	Farm	To provide additional products to the market by increasing both capacity and production, the family farm will utilize program funding to make important infrastructure improvements, such as increased refrigeration storage, an addition to the farm stand, and the installation of gates, feeders, and fencing.	\$18,475
Brix Bounty Farm	Dartmouth	Farm	In an effort to increase annual production of vegetables to be brought to the market, funding will invest in long-term production capacity improvements, such as a new propagation greenhouse, the addition of a third fieldhouse for year-round production and curing of onions and winter squash.	\$44,265
Brox Farm	Dracut	Farm	The farm, which is located in an underserved area, accepts EBT cards, and partners with food pantries, will use program funding to increase its food	\$64,381

production and distribution with the purchase of a new greenhouse.

Cape Ann Fresh Catch Inc	Gloucester	Fishery	In an effort to increase both production and distribution of fish products, the organization will utilize program funding to purchase a refrigerated vehicle and a new smoker to double capacity production.	\$91,085
Catholic Charities	Dorchester	Other Non-Profit	To meet the growing demand for food, along with the increased rates of hunger and food insecurity in certain Boston neighborhoods related to COVID-19, the organization will utilize program funds to bolster its facility and distribution capacity with an infrastructure that supports strategic expansion, meets community needs, and reflects its reality as a distribution hub. The organization will purchase a new truck, add refrigeration, freezer, and storage capacity.	\$109,955
Chelsea Collaborative Food Pantry	Chelsea	Food Bank/Pantry	Seeking to expand food distribution options, program funding will enable the organization to purchase new equipment, such as refrigeration units to increase storage capacity and food longevity.	\$137,958
Chestnut Farms	Gilbertville	Farm	To better reach and provide food to residents within the region, program funding will enable the farm to increase food production and distribution operations by purchasing commercial kitchen equipment and a refrigerated vehicle.	\$150,000

Chicopee Farmers' Market/ Valley Opportunity Council	Holyoke	Other Non-Profit	Funding will assist the organization to expand the availability of its products to low-income individuals and families by investing in equipment that enables SNAP/EBT payments to be directly made.	\$848
Colfax Farm	Alford	Farm	To make the handling and processing of food safer and more efficient, the farm will use program funds to invest in wash and storage equipment. The project will enable the farm to increase capacity to grow, process, and store more produce, and improve both worker and food safety.	\$5,800
Community Harvest Project	North Grafton	Other Non-Profit	To make the handling and processing of food safer and more efficient for recipients, volunteers, and staff, the organization will use program funds to install hand washing stations, a produce washing station, and a commercial washing machine.	\$10,943
Cooperative For Human Services, Inc.	North Reading	Other Non-Profit	Seeking to expand its vegetable production capacity by increasing its growing spaces, the organization will utilize program funding to restore its irrigation system and develop adequate cold storage.	\$3,700
Cricket Creek Farm	Williamstown	Farm	To diversify the dairy farm's product line and bring additional items to market, the farm seeks to utilize program funding to begin producing and selling yogurt through the purchase of yogurt making equipment.	\$29,000

D.A. Smiarowski Farms	Sunderland	Farm	To deliver fresh produce locally grown at the third generation-owned farm, the organization will utilize program funding to purchase a refrigerated vehicle to meet the cooling requirements during delivery of the product.	\$59,888
Dorchester Community Food Cooperative, Inc	Dorchester	Other For-Profit	The organization will utilize program funding to purchase and set up a Point of Sale (POS) System, which will serve as a key component for the management of the retail store to assist the dual mission to support local farms and expand food access. Additionally, the POS System will aide in integrating local farms into the supply chain and avoid disruption by the current pandemic, as well as future environmental or health challenges.	\$85,000
Effloresce Culture & Design	Marlboro	Other	Funding will assist the organization to expand the availability of its products to low-income individuals and families by investing in equipment that enables HIP payments to be directly made.	\$350
Essex North Shore Agricultural and Technical School District	Hathorne	School	The school seeks to utilize program funding to purchase a food truck to bring additional produce to the market for area residents to purchase.	\$148,000
Fall River Public Schools	Fall River	School	Program funding will enable the public school district, which is a high need district, to purchase a refrigerated truck to distribute food to students in need.	\$106,250

FamilyAid Boston	Boston	Other Non-Profit	To better reach food insecure families within the area, the organization will utilize program funding to purchase a refrigerated trailer to distribute boxes of food to those in need.	\$15,000
Farmer Dave	Dracut	Farm	In an effort to significantly increase local food access, the organization will utilize program funding through the construction of a year-round farm stand located on the property.	\$269,000
Fisherman's Wharf Gloucester	Gloucester	Fishery	The organization will utilize program funding to increase capacity and expand its mobile and fixed seafood market to surrounding Massachusetts communities by using funding to outfit a portion of its facility with modern fish processing and packaging technology, a new cooler, lobster tanks/holding system, and other equipment.	\$375,000
Fishing Vessel Phoenix	Marshfield	Fishery	To deliver additional fish products to the state's residents, the vessel will utilize program funding to upgrade fish finder electronics and purchase new low environmental impact fishing gear that will allow for the harvesting of underutilized species. The investment will diversify the availability of seafood to consumers and utilize species that are more affordable to food insecure and low-income tract communities.	\$41,000
Fourth Presbyterian Church Food Pantry	South Boston	Food Bank/Pantry	To better meet the needs of the community, the food pantry will utilize program funding for investments in technology to	\$9,500

enable food inventory choices, the preordering of food to decrease wait time, and better communications in a variety of languages to the organization's guests.

Framingham Housing Authority	Framingham	Municipal Government	To increase the availability of fresh produce to those in need, the housing authority will utilize program funding to assist building community gardens at its family housing developments. Once built, maintenance staff will work with residents to teach them how to care for the gardens.	\$6,000
Friends of Holly Hill Farm, Inc.	Cohasset	Farm	In an effort to increase production and extend the growing season, program funding will enable the purchase of a high tunnel, which will improve the farm's infrastructure to grow seedings year-round and produce more efficiently.	\$31,057
Gaining Ground	Concord	Farm	To meet local demand for fresh farm-to-table produce, the organization will use grant funds to add an additional hoop house to their farm. This addition will increase the amount of produce grown and donated, which will have a direct positive impact on food-insecure areas throughout Greater Boston.	\$28,800
Gardner Public Schools	Gardner	School	To better meet the demands of the district, the public school system will utilize funds to expand its meal production through the purchase and installation of a larger cooler and freezer unit.	\$70,000
Gill-Montague	Turners Falls	School	To provide food more efficiently to	\$78,108

Regional School District

students that are both remote and in-person learning, the school district will utilize program funding to purchase a refrigerated van to assist in the delivery of meals.

GO Farm	North Hatfield	Farm	To meet local demand of farm fresh produce, the farm will utilize program funding for the purchase of refrigeration equipment, which will assist in increasing food production efforts.	\$20,434
Greenagers, Inc.	South Egremont	Other Non-Profit	The organization seeks to significantly expand its food production and storage capabilities to better serve food insecure individuals through purchasing additional cold storage and constructing a high-tunnel greenhouse for season extension. This will allow them to donate more produce for community food distribution.	\$39,178
GreenRoots, Inc.	Chelsea	Other Non-Profit	To support production and distribution of produce, the organization will purchase infrastructure with program funding that will aid in addressing local food insecurity. Infrastructure improvements include handwashing and harvesting stations and refrigeration units.	\$20,236
Grow Food Northampton Inc.	Florence	Other Non-Profit	The organization will utilize program funding to improve the transportation and distribution of healthy food through the purchase of a refrigerated vehicle. Importantly, this purchase will aid in ensuring that the organization continues to make food available	\$58,445

five days a week to community members experiencing food insecurity.

Harbor Health Services, Inc.	Dorchester	Other Non-Profit	To increase the capacity to respond to the growing demand to help more individuals and families in need, program funding will go towards the purchase of a refrigerator.	\$1,600
Healthy Waltham	Waltham	Other Non-Profit	To strengthen the organization's food pantry and food delivery program, the organization will utilize program funding to purchase a refrigerated box truck. Importantly, this equipment will enable the delivery of bags of food and essentials to residents through the food pantries and home delivery programs for seniors and homebound residents.	\$115,025
High Road Farm	Newbury	Farm	To make the handling and processing of food safer and more efficient, the farm will use program funds to build out a wash and pack house. Additionally, the new infrastructure will increase production and quality of the produce.	\$20,970
ICNA Relief USA - New England	Roxbury	Other Non-Profit	In an effort to provide food to individuals in need, program funding will focus on strengthening and expanding its hunger prevention and transitional housing programs. This project will provide urgently needed infrastructure updates including storage, refrigeration, and a refrigerated truck.	\$67,422

Islamic Multi-Service Organization Inc, (I.M.S.O. Food Pantry)	Boston	Food Bank/Pantry	To better distribute food as part of its assistance program, the organization will utilize program funding to purchase a modular unit with handicap access, an air purification system, and refrigeration units to coordinate the increased flow of individuals and families in need. Furthermore, the project includes the purchase of a van to enable food pickup from the Greater Boston Food Bank and local food growers, as well as delivery to elderly and disabled clients.	\$294,777
Jekanowski Farms LLC	Hadley	Farm	To significantly reduce human/hand contact and cross contamination of grown produce after it has been washed, the farm will utilize program funding to invest in packaging machinery and equipment to streamline the packaging of potatoes and onions into small consumer packs, which will also provide more economical buying options for members of the community.	\$114,862
Kettle Brook Farms	North Brookfield	Farm	To increase produce capacity and deliver food to the market, program funding will go towards the installation of a cooler to safely store produce and extend shelf life. Additionally, the farm will be able to purchase a transit van to keep produce fresher, while being able to deliver items.	\$29,000
Laurenitis Farm	Sunderland	Farm	Program funding will purchase a trailer for the farm to utilize, which will assist in increasing distribution services of its victory garden kits and boxed produce.	\$7,799

Lexington Community Farm	Lexington	Farm	To streamline and improve productivity, the farm will utilize program funds to purchase equipment for the community farm.	\$8,000
Lexington Community Farm Coalition, Inc.	Lexington	Other Non-Profit	To prevent crop degradation and harvest loss, the farm coalition, which provides access to organically grown food to the community and accepts SNAP and HIP benefits at its farm stand, will utilize program funding to install 600 feet of irrigation line, frost-free spigots, and updated submersible well pump to supply efficient water to the farm's crops. Currently, the farm does not have permanent irrigation lines and is served by temporary flex piping that is prone to leakage.	\$17,850
Lyonsville Farm	Buckland	Farm	Lyonsville Farm, a woman-owned 2.25-acre organic vegetable farm, will use program funds to purchase and install two greenhouses to grow produce and extend the produce sales season from 6 months to year-round, as well as purchase a walk-in cooler to store the increased amount of produce. By increasing capacity, an estimate of 5,000lbs of fresh produce will be added to the market, which will be available to the local community during the winter months.	\$69,732
Malden YMCA	Malden	Other Non-Profit	To further reach those in need, funding will go towards a delivery truck, pallet jack, and freezer units to reduce delivery costs, increase storage capacity, and ensure food longevity.	\$100,695

Marty's Local, LLC	Pittsfield	Distributor/Supplier	Funding will enable the organization to increase its offerings of locally grown and produced foods to area residents and better reach those living in underserved rural and urban communities through the purchasing and installation of walk-in coolers and a walk-in freezer.	\$359,773
Mass Audubon (Drumlin Farm; Farm at Moose Hill)	Lincoln	Other Non-Profit	In an effort to streamline the delivery of food products to the market, the farm will utilize program funding to purchase a refrigerated box truck, which will be used for the farm's urban farmers market operation.	\$69,303
Massachusetts Farm Bureau Federation	Marlborough	Other Non-Profit	To help facilitate the expansion and strengthening of the Commonwealth's meat production infrastructure, the organization will use program funding to conduct surveying of the farming community to determine the most critical need of farmers relative to meat processing. Based on the results of the surveying the organization will publish a full report, work with a consultant to develop a business plan for the operation determined to be in greatest demand.	\$82,000
Medfield Food Cupboard	Medfield	Food Bank/Pantry	Program funding will enable the food pantry to increase its distribution with new technology that will streamline its efforts, such as computer and safety products.	\$1,400
Medway Community	Medway	Other Non-Profit	To improve operations at the farm, the organization will utilize	\$1,850

Farm, Inc

program funding to purchase infrastructure equipment, such as refrigeration.

Merrimack Valley Food Bank	Lowell	Food Bank/Pantry	To ensure continuity of services and prevent potential loss of food in the event of a power outage, program funding will go towards the purchase and installation of an emergency backup generator to provide power for the food bank's walk-in refrigerator, freezer, and computer server/network and IT equipment.	\$29,608
Merrimack Valley YMCA	Lawrence	Other Non-Profit	To increase its food delivery service program from 200 families to 600 families, program funding will enable the organization to purchase delivery vehicles, which will deliver to different areas, including Andover, North Andover, and Lawrence.	\$292,268
Methuen Cares: Alliance for Food Security	Methuen	Municipal Government	In an effort to aid those in need, the organization will use program funding to create an enhanced and sustainable food pantry, which will include the buildout of space, such as shelving and refrigeration equipment, and the purchase of a delivery vehicle to reach populations throughout the city.	\$128,000
MetroWest YMCA	Framingham	Other Non-Profit	The organization seeks to increase equitable access to healthy foods for low-income people within the community by increasing its internal capacity while working with partners to address gaps in the food distribution system. Specifically, funds will go towards the purchase of refrigerated vehicles	\$94,500

and equipment to expand food storage.

Mill City Grows Inc.	Lowell	Other For-Profit	In an effort to increase produce yields and access to healthy farm-to-table items, the organization will use program funds to make infrastructure improvements, including the purchase and installation of fertigation, season-extension equipment (high tunnels), and a new wash station.	\$19,267
Moonlight Farm	Ashburnham	Farm	To meet demand by increasing the availability of products as well we produce harvests, minimize crop loss, and extend the growing season, the farm will use program funds to make significant infrastructure improvements. These improvements include the construction of three permanent heated greenhouses, a portable automatic egg washer, and poultry processing equipment. Furthermore, the project will expand food offerings into other communities and increase product availability year-round.	\$127,000
Moonrose Farm	Rehoboth	Farm	To better meet local demand by increasing yields of organically grown produce, the farm will use program funding to convert its current greenhouse into a heated propagation house. Additionally, by increasing yields, the farm will be able to provide larger produce donations and increase its own sales.	\$10,984
Nantucket Fish Weirs, Inc.	Orleans	Fishery	To strengthen the local food supply chain and enable the organization to sell seafood directly to Cape Cod residents,	\$32,529

program funding will assist the business with the necessary equipment to meet state standards for transporting seafood. Specifically, project funds will purchase a refrigerated shipping container, a two-ton ice machine, and a concrete slab (to place the shipping container on).

North Shore Community College Mobile Meal Distribution Project	Danvers	School	Program funding will assist the college to commence a mobile meal distribution project that offers curbside pick-up through the purchasing of important infrastructure, such as freezers and shelving.	\$6,548
Old Colony YMCA	Brockton	Other Non-Profit	In an effort to increase storage for both fresh and dry goods, program funding will assist the organization with the purchasing and installation of important infrastructure, such as refrigeration and freezer units, coolers, ice packs, insulated bags for safe food distribution, and the installation of a walk-in storage pod for dry goods.	\$33,400
Osamequin Farm Inc	Seekonk	Farm	In an effort to bring additional farm fresh produce to the local market throughout the year, program funding will enable the farm to build a hoop house that can be used by Resident Farmers and staff year-round (in the winter it will serve as a nursery for seedlings, in the spring and fall as a combination nursery and tender annuals space, and in the summer as a tunnel for growing high value crops).	\$22,203
PACH Outreach	Pepperell	Other Non-Profit	In an effort to increase food	\$5,000

capacity, program funding will enable the organization to purchase important kitchen infrastructure, such as refrigeration equipment and storage racks to store donated food items.

Paquette American Harvest Farm	North Grafton	Farm	To utilize program funding, the farm will construct a new building on its recently purchased farm. The buildings will enhance employee safety while increasing the food preparation and packaging area.	\$148,080
Petersham School	Petersham	School	To meet the needs of students in the area, the school will utilize program funding to purchase new food freezing equipment to store and transport products.	\$6,330
Provincetown Health Department	Provincetown	Municipal Government	Program funding will assist the department in making infrastructure improvements and purchasing equipment to aid Provincetown Schools and the Council on Aging. Funds will go towards refrigerator and freezer units.	\$26,341
Quabbin Harvest	Orange	Other For-Profit	To meet the growing demand of fresh produce, the co-op will utilize program funding to purchase and install three new pieces of freezing/cooling equipment, which includes a two-door upright freezer to hold stock, a one-door upright freezer for non-meat foods, and a three-door cooler for dairy and prepared foods.	\$9,966
Quaboag Regional School	Warren	School	To meet the needs of the school district's students, who live in a	\$91,800

District

rural area of Massachusetts, program funding will assist in the purchasing of food distribution vans.

Quincy Asian Resources, Inc.	Quincy	Other Non-Profit	To increase accessibility of culturally appropriate fresh produce from Massachusetts farmers to Asian and immigrant community members, the organization seeks to utilize program funding to create an accessible, linguistically competent online ordering and delivery service platform that connects individuals to local farms.	\$98,000
Red Cross Boston Food Pantry	Boston	Food Bank/Pantry	With additional individuals needing support during the ongoing pandemic, the organization seeks to use program funds to purchase refrigerated box trucks to transport food to facilities throughout eastern Massachusetts.	\$389,000
Regional Environmental Council	Worcester	Other For-Profit	In response to increased consumer demand, the Council will use program funding to expand their existing Mobile Farmers Market program to build out additional cold and dry storage space.	\$38,500
Rice Fruit Farm	Wilbraham	Farm	Program funding will enable the farm to increase its storage capacity and increase the longevity of produce and other products through the purchase and installation of a walk-in freezer.	\$27,348
Riverland Farm	Sunderland	Farm	In an effort to expand the farming	\$109,076

season to bring additional produce to the market, program funding will assist the farm in the purchasing of new equipment and infrastructure, such as a high tunnel and a truck.

Root NS, Inc.	Framingham	Other Non-Profit	To increase efficiency and output of its existing Community Meals Program, the organization will utilize program funding to purchase infrastructure equipment, as well as a van to provide higher volume meal deliveries through its partner agencies.	\$70,385
Rosasharn Farm	Rehoboth	Farm	Program funding will go towards the purchase of refrigeration equipment for harvest preservation, which will enable the farm to increase its food production and better meet local demand.	\$4,726
Round the Bend Farm	South Dartmouth	Other Non-Profit	Funding will enable the farm to expand the availability of its products to low-income individuals and families by investing in equipment that enables SNAP/EBT payments to be directly made.	\$540
Sawyer Farm	Worthington	Farm	Program funding will enable the farm to increase its store's food capacity and better outfit the building to meet COVID-19 safety guidelines for public access, which has been closed due to the ongoing pandemic, through the purchase of refrigeration units that are customer accessible.	\$7,877
Sawyer Farm Store	Worthington	Farm	To increase both produce life and food storage capacity, funding for	\$25,400

the project will go towards the insulation and outfitting of an on-site trailer for year-round cold storage and the re-insulating of a separate refrigerator trailer to reliably cool produce in the farm store walk-in.

Shelburne Farm	Stow	Farm	The apple farm will utilize program funding to purchase point of sale equipment that would enable them to utilize curbside pickup and the creation of an online web store.	\$4,500
Siena Farms	Sudbury	Farm	To prolong the growing season, program funding will assist the family-farm with the purchase of rolling greenhouses on a rail system to enable the harvesting of vegetables during the cold months of the year, which will provide additional produce to the local community.	\$81,114
Somerville Homeless Coalition	Somerville	Food Bank/Pantry	To meet increased storage demands to better serve the local area, the organization will utilize program funds to construct a larger walk-in freezer space.	\$45,000
South Shore Community Action Council, Inc.	Plymouth	Other Non-Profit	Program funding will enable the organization to increase its food distribution with the purchase of new equipment, such as a refrigerated vehicle and shelving.	\$85,102
South Shore YMCA	Hanover	Other Non-Profit	Seeking to expand its farm infrastructure, which directly benefits the local community, the organization will utilize program funding to construct a heated greenhouse to expand the growing season, the placement of fencing around garden beds, the	\$60,500

installation of irrigation, and the purchase of a standalone walk-in refrigeration unit to keep foods fresh between harvesting and pick-up.

Spanish American Center, Inc.	Leominster	Other Non-Profit	To better reach those in need of food, program funding will enable the organization to purchase a refrigerated truck to deliver locally sourced and prepared meals in Leominster and Fitchburg.	\$23,000
Spencer East Brookfield Regional School District	Spencer	School	To support families who do not have the means to pick-up meals for their children when learning in the hybrid/remote learning model, the school district will use program funding to obtain a cargo van for the distribution of meals.	\$41,790
Spring Ridge Farm LLC	Boylston	Farm	With the demand of locally sourced chicken products continuing to grow, program funding will enable the farm to expand its production with the construction of new housing units for chickens.	\$34,265
Square Roots Farm	Lanesborough	Farm	To provide additional food products to the residents within the region, program funding will enable the farm to purchase new poultry processing equipment, which will increase food production.	\$13,581
Stone Soup Cafe, Inc.	Greenfield	Distributor/Supplier	Program funding will enable the organization, which is a “pay-what-you-can” community café, to better reach those in need through the purchase of kitchen and food preparation upgrades and storage equipment. These	\$36,600

purchases are expected to double the meal capacity from 400 to 800 meals and provide meals beyond the café.

Stony Hill Farm LLC	Wilbraham	Farm	To expand the growing season, the farm will use funds to construct a high tunnel for the year-round cultivation of vegetable crops, which will increase produce production to better meet current demand and to further diversify its offerings.	\$28,069
Survival Centers, Inc. (dba Amherst Survival Center)	North Amherst	Other Non-Profit	To increase food longevity, storage, and capacity, the organization will utilize program funding to purchase important infrastructure, such as a walk-in refrigerator and freezer.	\$56,046
Sustainable CAPE - Center for Agricultural Preservation & Education	Truro	Other Non-Profit	Funding will enable the organization to expand the availability of its products to low-income individuals and families by investing in equipment that enables SNAP/EBT payments to be directly made.	\$925
Sustainable Nantucket	Nantucket	Other Non-Profit	The organization, which accepts SNAP/HIP Benefits, will utilize program funding to increase food production through the purchase and installation of a greenhouse and cooler.	\$55,906
The Farm School	Orange	Other Non-Profit	In an effort to reach those most in need, the school will utilize program funding to purchase a new refrigerated van to enable the delivery of food grown at the school to partner schools in the Boston/Worcester area, which will then identify and distribute the	\$41,768

food to members of the communities.

The Farm School	Orange	Other Non-Profit	In an effort to double the schools shoulder-season production capacity, program funding will go towards the purchasing and installation of a new caterpillar tunnel (greenhouse), which will grow/supply more vegetables to its partners during the colder months of the year.	\$3,750
The Farm School	Orange	Other Non-Profit	To expand the school's product line, the school will utilize program funding to purchase a mechanical bottle filler to enable the packaging of dairy products for both for sale and to be donated.	\$1,500
The Food Bank of Western Massachusetts, Inc.	Hatfield	Food Bank/Pantry	Program funding will aid the food bank with the purchase of a vehicle, which will strengthen its emergency food distribution efforts by increasing their capacity and efficiency to provide more healthy food to households at risk of hunger.	\$130,000
Thomas Farm & Dairy	Sunderland	Farm	Program funding will assist the farm to meet and grow the demand of its products by increasing storage through the construction of a building attached to its current cheese facility where a walk-in cooler and walk-in freezer will be installed.	\$47,450
Townsend Ecumenical Outreach	West Townsend	Other Non-Profit	In an effort to increase cold storage and the longevity of food products, the non-profit organization will utilize program funding to purchase and install a new walk-in refrigeration unit.	\$10,000

United Service Organization of Pioneer Valley	Chicopee	Other Non-Profit	To assist the organization in its efforts to strengthen communities, the organization will utilize program funding to expand its food delivery capacity with the purchase of a cargo van and refrigerated delivery van.	\$40,000
Upham's Corner Health Committee, Inc.	Dorchester	Other Non-Profit	To better reach individuals in need, the organization will utilize program funding to purchase a delivery vehicle, as well as a refrigerator and freezer unit to increase food longevity and storage capacity.	\$65,328
Upinngil Farm	Gill	Farm	In an effort to grow capacity and efficiency, which will provide area residents with additional products to purchase, the farm will utilize program funds to improve its farm stand, such as increasing the refrigerated dairy storage space and other renovations.	\$45,000
Urban Farming Institute of Boston, Inc.	Mattapan	Other Non-Profit	To increase overall efficiency and productivity during the current pandemic, program funding will enable the purchase of a refrigerated cargo van, which will assist the organization in establishing working partnerships and collaborations with more rural farms in expanded areas beyond Boston, and connect food not currently grown on urban farms with neighborhoods searching for more food outlets.	\$52,905
Urban Guild, Inc.	Dorchester	Other Non-Profit	Through program funding, the organization will purchase a walk-in freezer, which will provide an increase in beef product storage capacity.	\$50,000

URGE	Springfield	Farm	Funding will enable the farm to expand the availability of its products to low-income individuals and families by investing in equipment that enables SNAP/EBT payments to be directly made.	\$349
Valley Malt	Holyoke	Distributor/Supplier	In an effort to increase available grain within the region, funding will assist the organization to invest in the creation of a Massachusetts Grain Hub located within the City of Holyoke. The project will enable improvements to grain cleaning, grain drying, and grain storage capabilities.	\$500,000
Viability, Inc.	Northampton	Other Non-Profit	Program funding will go towards the purchase of important infrastructure, such as freezer units, commercial vacuum sealers, workstations for food preparation, greenhouses, and hand washing stations, which will increase the capacity of the organization's programs in Holyoke, Springfield, and Northampton. Furthermore, this project will increase access to fresh and local produce, strengthen partnerships with local growers and educators, increase the number of meals served and produced at its food pantries, modify its kitchen space to comply with COVID/CDC requirements, and continue meal delivery service to those in need.	\$18,520
Walnut Lane, LLC	Dudley	Farm	The family farm will utilize program funding to purchase a refrigerated delivery vehicle, which will increase the farm's ability to provide additional items	\$38,543

to the region by safely delivering its products to both farmers' markets and home delivery.

Wareham Public Schools	Wareham	School	Seeking to make its food production process more efficient, the school district will utilize program funding to replace old kitchen equipment, including a refrigerated milk cooler.	\$7,096
Wareham Public Schools	Wareham	School	To expand its food delivery program, the school will utilize program funding to purchase a cargo van to reach students in need.	\$44,200
West End House Inc.	Allston	Other Non-Profit	To better serve food insecure residents in the Boston area, program funding will enable the organization to increase its permanent cooling and freezing space.	\$105,973
Westfield Food Pantry	Westfield	Food Bank/Pantry	To assist the organizations mission to provide food to those in need, program funding will aid in the purchase of a delivery food truck.	\$138,100
Wild Acres Farm	Chester	Farm	To increase produce capacity at the farm, program funding will be utilized for the creation of a cold storage facility.	\$7,891
Williamsburg Market Inc.	Williamsburg	Distributor/Supplier	To better provide produce and products to area residents, project funding will enable the grocery store to construct a loading dock located in the rear of the store and install a walk-in cooler, which will increase produce storage.	\$68,183

Windy Ridge Farm and Services	Hawley	Farm	To make the handling and processing of food safer and more efficient, the farm will use program funds to construct a washing and packing area.	\$13,970
Winters Farm	Rehoboth	Farm	To meet the increased demand for local meats and poultry within the region, the farm is seeking to grow its storage capacity by utilizing program funding to purchase three commercial-grade freezers for meat once it has been processed and prior to being distributed and sold.	\$16,500
YMCA Southcoast	Dartmouth	Other Non-Profit	To increase distribution to their YMCA branches, the organization will use program funding to purchase a refrigerated van to be able to distribute produce on a regular and consistent basis.	\$64,045
Utec, Inc.	Lowell	Other Non-Profit	To increase their capabilities to carry out emergency food distribution, Utec, Inc. will purchase refrigerated delivery vehicles.	\$133,000

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